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In re Application of )  
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For: **MOUNTABLE REUSABLE** )  
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**STIRRING MECHANISM** )

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This communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed on July 6, 2001.

**AMENDMENTS**

Please amend the subject application as follows:

CLEAN VERSION OF AMENDMENTS:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph on page 7, line 26 - page 8, line 10 with the following:

As previously described, the main body 10 of the reusable paint container is preferably designed for holding three separate paint storage containers. It should be understood by those skilled in the art that the main body 10 may have alternative configurations for holding more or less paint storage containers, as desired. Figure 2 illustrates a perspective view of a single paint storage container 48 which fits within one of the separate compartments 25, 26 and 27 in the body of the paint container of the present invention. The paint storage container 48 is also designed in an L-shaped configuration with an interior portion 50 and an exterior shell 51 having a first side 63, a second side 64, a front 59, a back 65 and a base 66. The interior 50 includes a



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Enclosed please find a Response to Office Action mailed July 6, 2001 for filing with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Enclosed is a clean version of amendments and a version with markings to show changes. Also enclosed is a clean and marked up drawing sheet.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fee or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 08-1275. **An originally executed duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.**

Respectfully submitted,

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